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## IN THE CLAIMS

### Amendments To The Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

### Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) An occupant restraining system for a vehicle, in which an airbag including a plurality of cells branching downward from a gas distribution path extending along an upper rim of a base cloth is folded and disposed on a side of a roof, gas generated by an inflator upon a vehicle collision is supplied to the cells ~~through~~ through the gas distribution path, and the airbag is inflated and deployed into a shape of curtain along an inner surface of a side of a vehicle compartment,

wherein at least two adjacent ones of the cells inflated along an inner surface of a ~~pillars~~ pillar have axes thereof extending parallel with each other, said adjacent ones of the cells each comprising an upper portion which extends from the gas distribution path downwardly in a vertical direction, and a lower portion which extends from ~~a lower end~~ of the upper portion in a direction inclined with respect to both of an extension direction of the pillar and the vertical direction, said extension direction being the direction of an axis of the pillar in a region from the roof to a bottom of a window adjacent to the pillar, said at least two adjacent ones of the cells having lower ends ending at a lower end of the curtain.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Previously presented) The occupant restraint system according to claim 1, including another pillar and another at least two adjacent ones of the cells inflated along an inner surface of said another pillar having axes thereof extending parallel with each other and inclined with respect to an extension direction of said another pillar, said

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extension direction of said another pillar being the direction of an axis of the another pillar in a region from the roof to a bottom of a window adjacent to the another pillar.

4. (New) The occupant restraint system according to claim 1, wherein said at least two adjacent ones of the cells are provided at least in a first inflatable portion of the airbag which is located, upon deployment of the airbag, sidewardly of a front seat of the vehicle.

5. (New) The occupant restraint system according to claim 4, wherein said airbag has a second inflatable portion and a third inflatable portion which are located, upon deployment of the airbag, sidewardly of a center seat and a rear seat of the vehicle, respectively, and non-inflatable portions are formed in the airbag between said first and second inflatable portions and between said second and third inflatable portions, respectively, and said inflator is connected to the gas distribution path of the airbag at a location between said first and second inflatable portions.